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## COUNTY EDUCATIONAL RALLY OPENS HERE SATURDAY MORNING

### Needs of Education to be Stressed

#### STATE LAWS

##### BE EXPLAINED

To Put on Campaign to Acquaint People with Needs of the County so That Pressure May Be Brought to Bear on Legislature to Make Appropriations Sufficient.

For the purpose of acquainting the people of the county with the past progress and future needs of their schools so that a sentiment will be created for stronger school support a county-wide educational campaign, under the auspices of the state federation of women's clubs, has been inaugurated to begin with a big rally in the court house here Saturday morning and to be followed the following Tuesday night by similar rallies in every school district of the county. A tentative plan for the campaign was made here about a month ago when Miss Wil Lou Gray, state supervisor of adult schools, addressed a meeting of citizens in one of the local churches and placed the arrangement for the campaign in the hands of local committees working under Mrs. J. S. Bennett, president of the Civic League.

A tangible object of the campaign is to bring pressure to bear upon the state legislature for more generous support of the rural and high schools.

The meeting in the city Saturday is expected to be attended by all the school trustees of the county, school teachers, ministers and those speakers who will address the district meetings.

The following program has been announced for this meeting:

1. Roll call of trustees.
2. Purpose of Meeting—James H. Sullivan.
3. School Laws and Their Practical Application to Laurens County.—R. T. Wilson.
4. What Can be Done to Relieve the Situation Regarding School Deficits.—Col. E. H. Aull, Supt. of Education of Newberry County.
5. Discussion.
6. Refreshments.

The meeting in the court house is to open at 10:30 Saturday morning and will be presided over by Mrs. Bennett. The meetings in the school districts Tuesday night will be held in the school houses at the hours at which meetings of such character are generally held in each school district.

Speaking of the meetings yesterday, Superintendent of Education R. T. Wilson said that he hoped that ever trustee in the county would attend the meeting here Saturday and that every patron would avail himself of the meetings Tuesday evening. Nothing, he said, is more important to the schools than that the people who support them are thoroughly acquainted with their problems and that their views are made known to those who represent them in the legislature.

#### CARNIVAL AT WATTS

Annual Event to Take Place Saturday Evening on Watts Mills Lawn.

The annual carnival, given under the direction of Miss Bettie Richards, community worker, will be given on the Watts Mills lawn Saturday evening beginning at 8 o'clock. The usual fun-provoking games will be held with the added attractions of Fortune Tellers, Flying Jennies, Fish Pond and Minstrel. The Watts Mills concert band will furnish music.

A small admission fee will be charged. The public is cordially invited to attend and join in the fun.

#### Death of a Child

Frances McCuen, the two and a half year old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McCuen, of Princeton, died at the home of its parents last Saturday afternoon and the funeral was held Sunday afternoon from the Princeton Baptist church, Rev. Mr. Coleman conducting the services. The little girl was an unusually attractive child and her death was a sad blow to all of the neighbors and friends. Among those who attended the funeral was the child's uncle, Mr. W. R. McCuen, of this city, and his family.

## COUNTY CAMPAIGN STARTS AUGUST 9TH

First Meeting to be Held at Langston Church, Last at Watts Mills.

At a meeting Saturday afternoon of the Laurens county executive committee the itinerary of the county campaign meetings was arranged and the assessments by those who file pledges for county offices in the coming primary were fixed.

The county campaign will open August 9 with the first meeting at Langston church in Scuffletown township and will be followed by meetings in every other township with two extra speaking engagements at the Laurens mills and at Watts mills, the campaign closing on the night of August 22 at Watts after the meeting at the court house on the same day.

#### Itinerary

Langston Church, August 9, 10 A. M.  
Lydia, August 9, 7 P. M.  
Reno, August 10, 10 A. M.  
Goldville, August 10, 7 P. M.  
Clinton, August 11, 10 A. M.  
Clinton Hill, August 11, 7 P. M.  
Cross Hill, August 14, 10 A. M.  
Center Point, August 15, 10 A. M.  
Hickory Tavern, August 17, 3 P. M.  
Gray Court, August 18, 3 P. M.  
Youngs School Building, August 21, 10 A. M.  
Laurens Mills, August 21, 7 P. M.  
Laurens, August 22, 10 A. M.  
Watts Mills, August 22, 7 P. M.

Candidates for auditor and treasurer are to pay an assessment of \$20 each; county superintendent of education, county supervisor and the house of representatives, \$15; judge of probate, \$10; county commissioner, \$5; magistrate for Laurens township, \$10; magistrate for Clinton, \$5; all other township magistrates, \$2.50 each. These low assessment figures were made possible by the fact that the treasurer of the executive committee has on hand a balance of \$199, carried over from the campaign two years ago.

The time for filing pledges expires August 5 at 6 p. m.

It was agreed at the meeting that the state campaign meeting, August 16, will be held in the court house.

Announcement of assessments and itinerary has naturally added interest to political races and rumors of additional candidates are going the rounds. Until last night, however, no new announcements were made since last week except that of W. L. Gray, whose name has been entered for the legislature by friends. Others mentioned for this same race are R. Dunk Boyd, L. S. Bolt, H. B. Humbert, former supervisor, all of this city, and Dr. D. M. Douglas, president of the Presbyterian college at Clinton. Nothing definite has come from them so far.

Mr. Humbert, in a telephone message to The Advertiser from Abbeville last night, asked that we express his thanks to those friends who had taken it upon themselves to announce him, saying that he appreciated their interest but that he had present engagements which would prevent him from making the campaign.

The following have announced their candidacies so far for county offices either through The Advertiser or other papers:

House of Representatives—James L. Browning, Hugh D. McCravy, Carol D. Nance, W. D. Owens, Towns A. Willis, J. C. McDaniel, W. L. Gray.  
Treasurer—Ross D. Young, R. Jud Langston.

Auditor—J. Waddy Thompson.  
Supervisor—J. D. W. Watts, H. B. Humbert.  
Supt. of Education—Miss Margaret Dunlap, Miss Kate V. Wofford, E. Shaw Johnson, Ben A. Sullivan, Jr., Mrs. Earl C. Owens, W. P. Culbertson.  
County Commissioner—A. H. Moore, A. B. Blakely.

#### GAME HERE TODAY

Laurens Mills and Mollohon Mills to Play on Local Diamond at 5 O'clock.

The Laurens Mills team and the fast aggregation from Mollohon Mills will go against each other on the Laurens city park this afternoon at 5 o'clock and a great game is promised. "Lefty" Clyde Surratt, former Greenville hurler, will be on the mound for the locals while Newberry is expected to bring along a heavy out.

Laurens Mills has gotten together a fast bunch of players and is out for scalp of any teams willing to play. The manager, J. F. Montgomery, would be glad to get into communication with any managers who want games.

## ALL BOND ISSUES CARRIED YESTERDAY

Refunding, Water and Street Bonds Carried by Decided Majorities but Small Votes.

The city three bond issues for waterworks improvement, street improvement and for refunding floating indebtedness passed by large majorities in the elections held yesterday. However, only a small vote was cast.

On the bonds for waterworks improvement amounting to \$65,000.00, the vote was 248 to 28. On the bonds for street improvement, amounting to \$40,000, the vote was 230 to 46. The vote on the refunding bonds, amounting to \$65,000.00, was 250 to 29.

A member of the waterworks commission, under which the waterworks money will be expended, said yesterday that the commission would begin preparations for an improved system at once and that the commission hoped that the water supply would be improved in a very short time.

#### LAURENS LOSES TWO

After Dividing Series with Abbeville Drops Two to Greenwood this Week

After dividing the two-game series with Abbeville the latter part of last week, the Laurens aggregation went down before the Emeralds at Greenwood Monday and Tuesday. The score the first day was 6 to 2 and on the second day 5 to 2. According to fans returning from the games, Greenwood won both games on superior playing and deserved to win.

The locals play another game at Greenwood today and then take on Anderson for two games Thursday and Friday. They are not down-hearted by their defeats, but expect to get into a winning stride during the rest of the season.

Umpire R. C. Cunningham came through the city last night from Abbeville, where he said he had handed in his resignation to President Pressley. Cunningham has appeared to make a good umpire to local fans, but he had considerable difficulty on the circuit, especially at Anderson.

#### WHEAT PRIZES ANNOUNCED

Mr. Geo. C. Hopkins Wins Prize in Jno. A. Franks Wheat Growing Contest.

Mr. John A. Franks announced this week that Mr. Geo. C. Hopkins, of this city, was the winner of the \$25 prize offered by him in the winter for the best acre of wheat grown on the county. Mr. Hopkins made a record of 39 1/2 bushels on one acre. Others who made commendable yields were announced by Mr. Franks, as follows: J. A. Leslie, 18 bushels; E. G. Bramlett, 29 1/2; M. C. Oxner, 22; E. F. Coggins, 18; L. L. Templeton, 28; G. M. Harlan, 38.

Mr. Hopkins has stated that he will turn his prize over to some one of the orphanages of the state, though he has not said which one.

The wheat growing contest inaugurated by Mr. Franks caused a great deal of interest in the county, a large acreage being planted this year than in many years. The crop suffered considerable damage from rust, but a fair yield was made in the county.

#### STRIKE WILL KILL BUSINESS REVIVAL

Gotham Man Declares It Will be Throttled by Present "Emergency."

New York, July 23.—The present "transportation emergency" will throttle the new business revival in the cradle if the railroad strike continues much longer, said David Williams, secretary of the central strike committee, tonight. He based his statement on figures submitted by the Labor Bureau, Inc., showing he asserted, that the following measures are almost inevitable in dealing with the crisis:

Emergency pooling of rolling stock under federal control.

Resurrection of priority control over shipments as exercised during the war.

Shutting down of non-essential industries and throttling of the business revival.

With car loadings larger now than in 1920, despite the coal strike, and with heavy crops to be moved, the cars still in commission in the fall will be totally inadequate to handle the transportation, even if the strike is settled soon, said Mr. Williams, citing the shortage of 1920 and the 29 per cent increase in fall loadings for that year.

## COAL DISTRIBUTION BEING CONSIDERED

Tentative Plan Formed by Secretary Hoover After Day of Conferences With Producers, Railroad Representatives and Government Officials. Discussion to Continue Today.

Washington, July 24.—Agreement upon a tentative plan for distribution of coal and for restriction of unfair prices was announced tonight by Secretary Hoover after a series of conferences during the day with representatives of producing operators, the railroads, the interstate commerce commission and other departments of the government.

The plan which was described by Attorney General Daugherty in an opinion as "entirely legal" is to be discussed further tomorrow by the conferees and the agreement of the operators present is dependent upon the approval of their various associations.

Under the proposed plan President Harding would appoint a committee which would have general supervision of the measures to be adopted for emergency fuel control designed to safeguard the public from an impending coal famine. Application of the laws governing interstate commerce, through the interstate commerce commission, would enable the allocation of freight cars to be governed by the maintenance of fair prices for coal among the operators. The tentative plan follows:

"A committee in Washington to be appointed by the president of representatives of the department of commerce, the interstate commerce commission, the department of justice and the department of the interior, to be designated the presidential committee. This committee to have general supervision of the measures to be taken hereunder and to authorize the execution of such of these measures as may be necessary from time to time.

"The administrative committee comprising representatives of the presidential committee together with representatives of the operators, representatives of the railways and, where necessary, representatives of the larger consuming groups.

"The presidential committee will establish a representative in each coal producing district.

"The presidential committee will appoint a committee of operators in each district to be nominated by the district operators' association or independent operators (in case of failure of the operators to take such action, the presidential committee may appoint such operators as they see fit on such committee.)

"The members of these district committees may be changed as determined upon by the presidential committee.

"The presidential committee will co-operate with the interstate commerce commission in carrying out preferential orders, issued by the commission.

"The governmental representatives in the districts with cooperation of the district committees shall advise the agencies of the interstate commerce commission as to local car movements to effect the purposes of this plan.

"The operators will proceed with their usual business until they are affected by preference orders.

"It is expected that the district committee under authority of the presidential committee will recommend the allotment of cars on the basis of those who conform to fair prices to be agreed upon with the presidential committee.

"When the operators demand, then suitable guarantees shall be given for payment by persons buying under private orders.

"The railroads will be requested to appoint a representative to deal with purchasers of railway fuel.

"The basis of prices agreed upon between the operators and the secretary of commerce on June 1 are to be maintained except where varied by the presidential committee and this same basis of price determination shall be applied in all districts which are so far not operating.

"The whole of the above is tentative, pending further consideration by the interstate commerce commission, the department of justice, department of the interior and the department of commerce."

#### Schedule of Carolina League

July 27-28—  
Anderson at Laurens.  
Greenwood at Abbeville.  
July 31-Aug. 1—  
Laurens at Anderson.  
Abbeville at Greenwood.  
August 3-4—  
Abbeville at Anderson.  
Greenwood at Laurens.  
August 7-8—  
Anderson at Greenwood.  
Laurens at Abbeville.  
August 10-11—  
Greenwood at Anderson.  
Abbeville at Laurens.  
August 14-15—  
Anderson at Abbeville.  
Laurens at Greenwood.  
August 17-18—  
Anderson at Laurens.  
Greenwood at Abbeville.  
August 21-22—  
Laurens at Anderson.  
Abbeville at Greenwood.

#### Visited Peach Orchard

Mr. Hugh H. Fuller, of Mountville, carried a party of neighbors to Greer yesterday to view a large peach orchard which has been in cultivation there for several years. Mr. Fuller, who has already set out an orchard of his own, came back very enthusiastic over the peach growing industry. He was told at Greer by a man who had a ten acre orchard, that he was then shipping his tenth carload of peaches to northern markets and that he had netted \$1,390 from each car.

#### Services at Sandy Springs

A series of services is to begin at Sandy Springs Methodist church on Sunday, July 30, morning and night. The pastor, Rev. B. M. Robertson is to be assisted by Rev. Owen, of Cross Anehor. The public is invited.

#### Dusting Demonstration Friday

County Farm Demonstrator Vaughan announces a dusting demonstration to be held on the farm of J. S. Craig, in the Tylersville section, Friday afternoon at five o'clock.

#### AUTO AND MOTORCYCLE CRASH KILLING WOMAN

Winston-Salem, N. C., July 23.—Mrs. Ida Landreth, wife of A. F. Landreth, was almost instantly killed this afternoon near Yadkinville, when an automobile struck the motor cycle on which she, her husband and their seven year old child were riding. Mrs. Landreth suffered a fractured skull and died in twenty minutes while Mr. Landreth had two ribs fractured and received many bruises. The child was only slightly hurt. The occupants of the automobile did not stop but hurried on, and not a trace of their identity or whereabouts has been discovered.

#### HARVEY TO CURTAIL TOO MUCH FREEDOM

Set Down on Practice Prevalent in Many Counties.

Columbia, July 24.—Governor Wilson G. Harvey today sat hard on the practice in some counties of allowing prisoners on the county gangs too much freedom. He addressed a communication to the foreman of the Marion county grand jury, in which he asked that reports of this kind from Marion county be investigated and a report made to the chief executive.

Reports from various counties have been received in late weeks, that officers allow prisoners to go in some cases to their homes. From Marion county the governor has been advised that escapes from the chain gangs are frequent; that a man convicted of manslaughter is almost immediately made a trusty, and that in some cases convicts are allowed to go to their homes and work their crops.

#### Erecting School Building

Construction of the new school building for Central school, in Youngs township, was begun last week and will be pushed to completion so it will be ready for occupancy when the next session begins. The building is on the old ground of the former school building and is to be a neat and modern structure in every way.